



# THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF SACRED HEART

A Stephen Ministry Parish

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Becoming and Making Disciples, Welcoming all to Follow Jesus Christ.

## Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil – 4PM

Sunday – 9:30AM

Monday – Thursday 9AM

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## Pastoral Team & Staff

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Parish Office Hours  
Monday-Thursday  
9:30am – 4:30pm

**NEVER MISS MASS AGAIN!**  
Sunday 9:30 AM  
[sacredhearthopedale.org/mass-video](http://sacredhearthopedale.org/mass-video)

Watch Mass on Cable TV  
Verizon Fios Channel 29, Comcast Channel 8  
Thursdays & Sundays—8:30am & 10:30am

## **ALL ARE WELCOME**

All people are welcome at Sacred Heart.  
Regardless of your experience of Church,  
regardless of your marital state, regardless of  
your personal history, back-ground or sexual  
orientation. Please know that you are invited,  
accepted and respected at Sacred Heart.



May 2, 2021

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

As a priest I have the opportunity to talk with other pastors and listen to the challenges that they face in their assignments. Most of the challenges deal not with ministry but with administration of parish affairs and property. That is not an issue at all here in our parish community. There is a wonderful partnership and ownership of parishioners that allow me to focus on the very things I am ordained for, "Prayer and the ministry of the word." What that means is that I can focus my energy on preaching the Word of God and providing the sacraments for our community.

Our Pastoral Planning Team (PPT) takes full ownership and responsibility for the administration of our parish affairs and property. Last night at our monthly meeting I was thinking, it would be wonderful if our Zoom meeting could be shared for all of you to see the dedication of the men and women who serve in leadership positions in our parish. How proud I am to serve with them. Their wisdom in finance, guarding our parish income as they would their own household finances, keeping the campus and property in repair as their own home, providing ministries because they want to grow our faith community, all work together in collaboration.

Along with the dedication of the PPT members, our parish staff works together like a well-oiled machine. We have each other's back and make sure that we serve the community as best we can following the precepts and guidelines of our Roman Catholic Faith. How wonderful it is for me to hear you praise staff members for their assistance in so very many ways. The thank you cards sent to me and to them are affirmation and support especially as we navigate a pandemic.

Also, what adds to the dynamism of our community is your response to ministry. Just recently Pam sent an e-mail requesting people to be Ministers of Care (bringing communion to homebound). We needed 6 people and 18 were willing to help! We were given 6 months to get 500 lbs of plastic bags and did it in 6 weeks! Shoveling the walks after a snowstorm, done within hours! The list goes on and on.

PPT, Staff, and parishioners all in partnership! What a great gift we are to The Catholic Community of Sacred Heart, The Diocese of Worcester and the Church at large. Thank you for allowing me to be on the journey with you!

Fr. Bill

**REMEMBER**  
in your prayers

Rita Coffey  
Mary Bacon  
Nelson Clement  
Matthew Masnik  
Karen Walker  
Alberta Lachina  
Regina Espanet  
Henry Ruggiero  
Philip Morin  
Betty Morin  
Michael DeLoia Jr  
Joan Moss  
Virginia Larkin  
Dorothy Gately  
Concetta Conciatori  
Roger Beggs  
Pauline Kell  
Nancy Collins  
Stephen Brothers  
Joanne Andreotti  
Helen Dunleavy  
Doreen Cote



Patti Riskall  
Richard Callery

**SANCTUARY LAMP**

Brenda Bonetti

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**5/1 4p:** Paulo Rebelo  
**5/2 9:30a:** Mary Patton  
**5/6 9:00a:** David Shaughnessy

**MASS ATTENDANCE**

4/25/21

4:00pm	64
9:30am	69

**WEEKLY COLLECTIONS**

4/25/21

Weekly  
\$3,400.00

Monthly  
\$1,175.00

Fuel, Utilities, Etc  
\$20.00

SH Endowment Fund  
\$250.00

**Pope Francis' encyclical**  
**Laudato Si'**  
(Praise be to You)  
**ON THE CARE OF OUR COMMON HOME**



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THE SECOND BEST TIME IS NOW.**  
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**Congratulations to all our students making their First Communion this weekend.**

Ethan Araujo  
Matthew DelVecchio  
Ryan Forbes  
Gemma Lima  
Elizabeth Mitchell  
Samuel Swasey  
Alexander Walek

**Confession:** Every Saturday, in the Day Chapel between 3-3:45p.

**Funerals:** Funeral Masses may be celebrated with the same restrictions as for any Mass, including social distancing and liturgical adaptations.

**Weddings**  
The Sacrament of Matrimony may be celebrated with the same restrictions as for any Mass, including the appropriate provisions for social distancing and liturgical adaptations.

**Baptisms:** Only individual Baptisms may be celebrated with a prudent limitation on the number of people present and the requisite considerations for social distancing. All who are present wear masks throughout, with the exception of the child to be baptized.

**Reflect...**

- ◆ Adults: When have you been "pruned" by your experiences in a way that led to greater abundance?
- ◆ Kids: When have you felt stronger or better because you did something hard to help another person?

# Parish News

Just some reminders as more people are coming back to mass:

- ◆ Make sure your mask is covering your mouth and nose and is worn at all times.
- ◆ Sit only in pews with the signs that read "sit here"
- ◆ When you are the first to enter a pew please sit in the middle of the pew. This will allow room for everyone without having to climb over anyone.

If you are unable to come to mass:

- ◆ Continue to watch Fr. Bill's Briefs—daily on our Face-Book page.
- ◆ Weekly Sunday Masses will continue to be live streamed at 9:30a on our website under Worship and Mass Video. Miss the live stream? All videos are available after 10:00a to watch at your convenience.
- ◆ Communion will be distributed following the 9:30a mass.

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Please join us for the next zoom meeting this  
Tuesday May 4 at 7pm.  
To register call the office 508-473-1900.

## CAMPAIGN NEWS

The Catholic Community of Sacred Heart | Hopedale

So, *What is the difference between the Partners in Charity annual appeal and the upcoming Legacy of Hope capital campaign?* The below graph illustrates how the Partners in Charity Annual Appeal funds essential diocesan ministries for **one year, only**, while the *Legacy of Hope Capital Campaign* assists us in addressing our long term needs through the funding of endowments and providing additional resources to our parishes...



To learn more about the Legacy of Hope campaign and watch our video, please visit:  
[legacyofhope.worcesterdiocese.org](http://legacyofhope.worcesterdiocese.org).

## BRENDA M. BONETTI MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP



In memory of Brenda M. Bonetti, a scholarship is available for any graduating high school senior who attends Sacred Heart of Jesus Church in Hopedale.

The amount and number of scholarships awarded is under the sole discretion of the Bonetti Family Scholarship committee.

### Minimum requirements:

Registered parishioner at Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish. Accepted to a college or institution of higher learning in the coming fall.

Participated in church ministries.

If you feel that you meet the minimum requirements then send a request for application to:

[lfb@verizon.net](mailto:lfb@verizon.net).

All applications are due no later than May 15, 2021

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## Twice Blessed Shoppe ANNOUNCEMENT!!



### New Store Hours:

8:30 A.M. – 12:00 P.M. (First Saturday each month)

New Store Hours (Starting May 1<sup>st</sup>)

During the Covid-19 Pandemic,  
Our thoughts and prayers  
continue to be with all who are  
directly impacted as well as the  
First Responders and Essential  
Workers.

Be Safe and Stay Healthy!

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## St. Thomas More Law School Scholarship

Each year the St. Thomas More Society of our Diocese awards a scholarship of varying amounts, usually around \$3000, to a law student attending an accredited law school in the fall. Applicants or parents must be registered and active members of a parish in the Diocese of Worcester. Applicants may be in any year of law school studies. Applications may be obtained by visiting the diocesan website, [www.worcesterdiocese.org/st-thomas-more-society](http://www.worcesterdiocese.org/st-thomas-more-society), by mailing requests to: St. Thomas More Society, Chancery Office, 49 Elm Street, Worcester, MA 01609 or by calling Joan DeMasi at 508-929-4345. Applications are due on or before June 30, 2021. Should anyone wish to contribute to the scholarship fund, donations will be greatly appreciated and you can contact us at the above address or phone number.

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